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THOMPSON'S WEEKLY REVIEW OF THE PASSING SHOW

ROOSEVELT, THE CANDIDATE

Not the Special Pleader for Negroes as Negroes, but the Champion of Fair Play for All—Democratic Desperation Forcing Absurd Race Issues.

By Our Special Staff Correspondent.

The Dockstader episode the other day in Washington has behind it, we fear, a far deeper significance than the mere desire of a black-face minstrel performer to secure a striking illustration for a new monologue. No one believes that a theatrical performer, with no more serious a purpose than to excite a laugh, would have gone to the trouble to take a fine carriage to the great east front of the capitol, and have there enacted, with artistic particularity, a scene between men made up in likenesses of President Roosevelt and Booker T. Washington, with the further intention of producing from the photographer's films a costly moving picture. The spirit of the scene between the President and the colored man was to convey an exaggerated and impossible suggestion of 'social equality," and the spot was studiously chosen to throw about the supposed incident the strong dramatic forces of historic background and local color. Ordinarily speaking, we may well ask why should Dockstader wish to risk the displeasure of a large proportion of his audiences in the midst of a heated campaign by showing the president of our republic in an attitude of humiliating obsequiousness toward a race very generally regarded as inferior? Why, take so dangerous a route to reach a piece of fun? The motive is plain enough. Dockstader was only the creature of a massive machine, and not to be considered beyond the brief moment he appeared to carry out the nefarious designs of his employers. The The whole plot emanated from the managers of the Democratic party, and is "Exhibit A" of a systematic plot to bring the race problem to the front as one of the principal weapons with which to defeat Theodore Roosevelt for the presidency. The picture was to have been used during the summer at the popular watering places and recreation parks, where mixed assemblies from many states gather, and then to be shown at designated places in the pivotal states, the whole scheme being to inflame the prejudices of the whites against the President by giving out the inference that he is a practical advocate of "social equality" between the races.

It is no secret that since the Republicans have destroyed every issue upon which the Democrats have been trying to secure a foothold for respectable opposition, there has been a determination to utilize the hatred of certain classes for the Negro for all that it is worth, and to place upon their jealousy of the Negro's phenomenal progress in the many branches of professional and industrial endeavor. The inconsequential courtesy extended by President Roosevelt to Dr. Washington, furnishes a cue to leaders like Gorman, Carmack, Tillman and Morgan, and they are not slow to take advantage of it, no matter how much chicanery and deceit are necessary to accomplish their purpose. In the South the propaganda of disfranchisement has been fed by this personal antagonism to the aspiring Negro and his presumed presidential patron. On the same flimsy pretext jim crow cars have been introduced in Maryland, co education has received a death blow in Kentucky and the Negro has been made to suffer in numerous ways in every state in the Union. The plan now is to frighten the poor whites of the North into a more intense opposition to race by holding aloft, in the schools, upon the platforms, in the churches and on the stage the bugbear of "social equality," posing Mr. Roosevelt as the high priest of that philosophy. That there is a definite collusion with certain vaudeville performers to stir up racial strife is very clearly evidenced by the absurd "jokes" that are being worked off as a part of their "turn," all of them at the expense of Roosevelts manly stand for the common rights of citizenship. One fellow, in our hearing, even tried to find a spark of humor in the fach that a man named "Black" has been selected to place Mr. Roosevelt in nomination at Chicago next month.

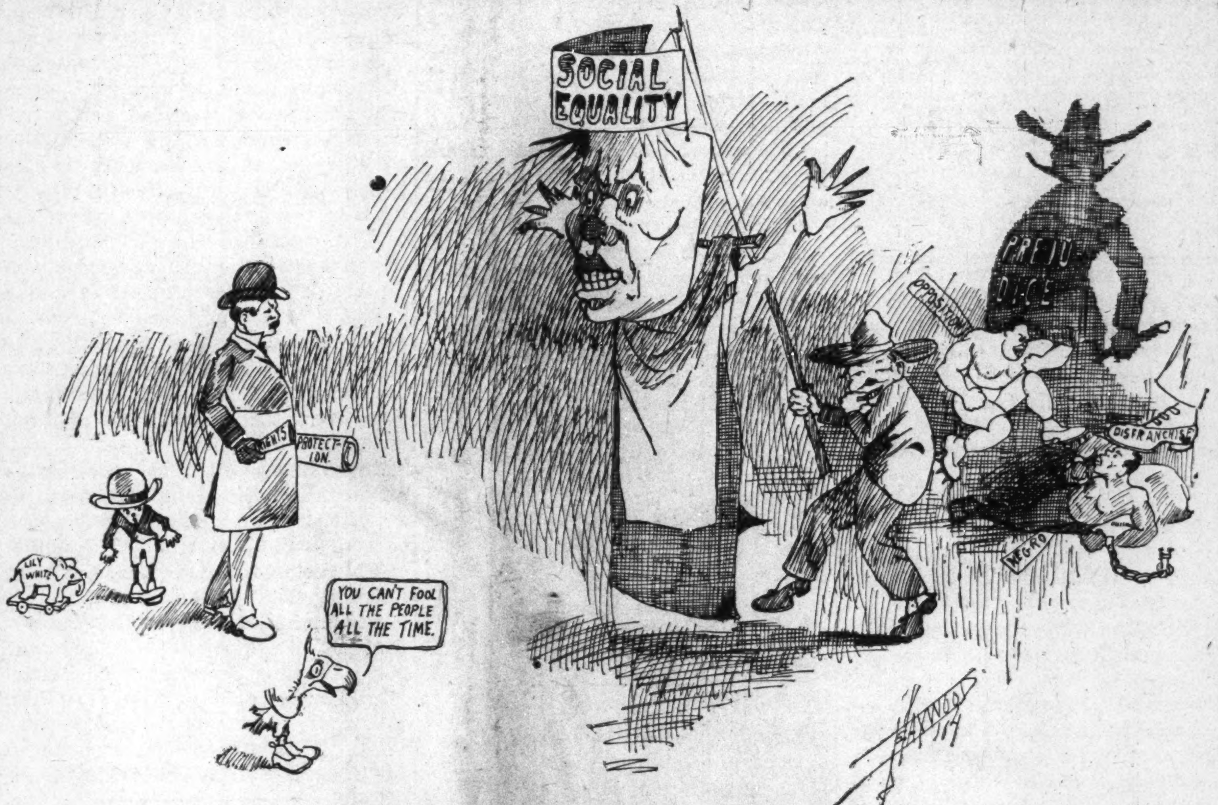
Such episodes as that of Dockstader and other sensational actors, under the direction of the desperate Democracy, are silly upon the surface, but beneath them are smouldering fires of implacable hatred and diabolical meanness. The antipathy to the Negro's social and political advancement is becoming more and more pronounced, and the capitalization of this adverse sentiment by Mr. Roosevelt's enemies promises to be the most exasperating feature of the approaching campaign. The situation, exasperating because it is intangible, unexplainable, illogical, unnecessary and unjust. It will tax the resources of our leaders to the utmost to avoid the Scylla of injury to our valiant president, while steering away from the Charybds of Democratic malevolence. When we laud Mr. Roosevelt in newspapers, endorse him in conventions or pray for him in churches we indirectly add volume to the charge that he is "the Negro's candidate," and that his election means the elevation of our race to a notch or two above "ordinary white folks" at least. It is an open question whether zeal of the vociferous kind is well placed, all things considered. It is doubtful if ten Negroes in the country could be bought, persuaded or terrified into voting against the president. Little missionary effort will be needed among them. So, beyond the usual precautions to see that every voter is kept informed of the issues and progress of the campaign, and gotten to the polls on election day, we may soberly ask ourselves and the ticket to keep the Negro question in the background and talk valubly if we talk at all of the Panama canal, protective tariff, full dinner pails and national greatness.

We do not press Mr. Roosevelt as "the Negro's candidate" in the sense that he loves us more than he does any other class of citizens. We do not believe that he cares anything for white men, black men, brown men or yellow men as such. We simply tie to him, in common with other Americans, because we think him a friend to the principles of fair play and equality of opportunity for everybody—"all men up, and no man down!" In his official relation the president may dine with Prince Henry, Prince Pu Lun, Queen Liliuokalani, Sitting Bull, Aguinaldo, Buffalo Bill, King Alfonso, King Edward VII, President Diaz, the Rahamajorah of Jeypoor or Booker T. Washington, and who ought to "give a kitty" as to their color or nationality? We object to any policy that looks to the injection of race prejudices or race issues into the discussion of economic and industrial propositions, or to inciting disgraceful race animosities to influence elections. The Democratic party should be able to rely upon its legitimate principle and administrative records in its plea for power. This resort to skulduggery and theatrical claptrap, dark lantern scares of social equality and Negro domination, and lampooning of Roosevelt as the particular candidate of the black man are beneath the dignity of any organization that claims a right to be entrusted with the government of a nation as cosmopolitan as ours. Theodore Roosevelt is the American candidate. White men and black men are for him because of that fact.

The Chicago Record-Herald publishes a bit of local history in connection with the recent political struggle in Chicago that will interest a great many people all over the country, because of the wide acquaintance of the principal in the contest described, and the far reaching, if not to say beneficial consequences that follow it. Lawyer Morris enjoys a national prominence as a lecturer upon "Shams," and as a former grand master of a secret order. Of his disastrous disappearance from Cook county politics, the Chicago Record Herald says.

"One of the gratifying surprises of the primaries was the overthrow of Attorney Ed Morris in the fourth primary district of the Second ward. Morris, known as the 'King of the Black Belt,' through his previous ability to deliver the colored vote to Judge Haney and the Lorimer machine, was defeated by Robert C. Motts and Edward Green in his own primary district after one of the bitterest fights in the history of the ward. His ignominious defeat was the first serious break in the Hanecy control of the second ward. Morris was one of the legislators most strongly condemned by the Legislative Voters' League, having been one of Congressman Lorimer's most trusted lieutenants in the manipulation of obnoxious legislation. The fight between Morris and Motts became so bitter in the campaign that Morris drew a revolver on his opponent and threatened to kill him."

The best evidence of what a man is really worth is the estimate of the people among whom he goes in and out day by day, and how he deports himself in the midst of great trials. In the unfit there is invariably found a "yellow streak" when subjected to either test. That's all.



Why does he insist on hoisting that scare crow? The Negroes of America ask and demand, in the name of justice, protection and civil equality. If these are denied they are defeated of rights and priveleges which have been guaranteed.

The General Conference of the A. M. E. Church was a disappointment to the candidates, but nevertheless was productive of most healthful results to the church at large. No one was promoted to the bishopric, but all of the incumbents were re-elected to their offices, and they have many reasons to feel thankful for that. The roster stands:

Financial Secretary—E. W. Lampton.
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Sunday School Union—W. D. Chappelle.
Editor Southern Christian Recorder—G. W. Allen.
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The lay aspirants could not break the so-called "ministerial combine," and their representation in the general officiary was not increased. The raising of the salary of the bishops to $2500 is endorsed in all quarters, especially coupled with that very wise proviso that they pay their own traveling expenses and the cost of maintaining an episcopal residence. Some excellent addresses were listened to during the sitting, the most striking of which were those delivered by Governor W. S. Durbin, Governor Yates, Bishop Turner and Dr. Booker T. Washington. Bishop Gaines' prayer for the re-election of President Roosevelt attracted world-wide attention.

The A. M. E. Zion Conference at St. Louis accomplished many good results during its stay at St. Louis. We have already chronicled the election of those masterly workers, Drs. Smith and Caldwell, as bishops, and of Rev. G. L. Blackwell as general secretary. Although the remaining officers were chosen only after a struggle, the choice is satisfactory, and the belief is general that the best men for the places were successful. M. R. Franklin got the general stewardship, and George Clinton Clement won out handsomely as editor of the Star of Zion. J. F. Moreland goes to Charlotte as business manager; W. H. Caffey remains at the head of the extension work, and Mrs. K. P. Hood is likewise retained as president of the Woman's Home and Foreign Missions. J. B. Colbert continues the Varick Christian Endeavor work, and R. B. Bruce goes ahead with the Sunday-school literature. John C. Dancy's life position as editor of the Zion Quarterly was given another "O. K." for four years. A highly gratifying circumstonce was the order to establish a branch publishing house at Louisville, Ky., one of the best distributing centers in the country. This insures the continuance of the Zion Methodist, a patent factor in developing Zionism in the Middle West. The oratorical honors of the conference were well scattered among the bright lights of the body, as all had ample opportunities to display their eloquence.

We note with no little regret the conviction of former congressman Geo. W. Murray of South Carolina on a charge of forgery. The trial took place at Sumter, S. C., and after a desperately fought legal battle consuming two days, the jury deliberated an hour and returned a verdict of guilty. It is said that there are reasons to believe that Mr. Murray is innocent of any intentional wrong doing and that a second trial will result in his acquittal. Mr. Murray was an efficient member of congress, is the largest land owner in his home county, and has always been regarded as a man of unimpeachable honor and integrity. We should like to see Mr. Murray triumphantly vindicated even if the case has to be carried to the court of last resort.

R. W. THOMPSON.

ANNUAL BACCALAUREATE SERMON

Chattanooga School Graduates a Large Class of Students—Interesting Program Rendered.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.—Six thousand persons witnessed the commencement exercises of the fifteen graduates of Howard High School, Prof. J. A. Henry, principal, Friday evening, May 20, at the Auditorium. The following is the program rendered: Jubilee chorus, "Were You There;" invocation, Rev. Joseph E. Smith; jubilee chorus, "Good Morning;" oration, "Woman, the Define of Civilization," Miss Cora F. Durroh; oration, "Nobility of Character," Miss Cora E. Marsh; duet, "Sister Birds," Misses Nettie Olden and Sadie Blunt; oration, "Education Leads to Virtue," Miss Mary A. Montgomery; oration, "Patience necessary to Human Progress," Jessie A. Lowe; oration, "The Progress of the Negro," Benjamin F. Lee; solo, "Daisy Time," Miss Carrie D. Lewis. The diplomas were presented by the president of the board of education. Prof. J. C. Wallace, musical director, Miss G. M. Jackson, pianist. The following were the pupils that graduated: Benjamin F. Lee, first honor; Cora F. Durroh, second honor; Kate E. Marsh, Carrie I. Lewis, Jessie D. Lowe, Minnie O. Scruggs, Mary A. Montgomery, Carrie L. Cottrell, Margaret M. Tolliver, Maud B. Martin, Mary E. Tolliver, Lena A. Olden, Frank J. Smith, John W. Lowe and Charles H. La Prade. The exercises were made delightful by those who, in a dramatical manner, did well their part, which reflected much credit upon the instructors and honor to the orators. Miss Durroh needs some special mention as she evidences nature's gifts as an elocutionist. Mr. Lee was, indeed, conversant with his subject. It was a masterpiece of eloquence. He has begun to make his mark educationally. Miss Marsh was clear in her delivery and gave signs of a close student. Miss Montgomery was distinct and connected in thought and made for herself a great name. Miss Love was perfectly in position and her pronunciations were extremely fine. Many of the best citizens greeted the occasion with their presence. The baccalaureate sermon was preached to the graduating class at the First Baptist Church by Rev. G. W. Parks. Subject: "Be It, and not Seem to be," which was treated in a masterly manner.

Clarksdale Notes.

Clarksdale, Miss., Special.—The commencement sermon of the Clarksdale Normal School, of which Rev. A. A. Cosey is principal, was preached by Rev. B. H. S. Ferguson, A. M. D. D. of Greenwood, Miss. Programs of a literary and musical character for the three nights' following show that the students have been carefully instructed by their teachers, Mrs. Alice Oliver and Mrs. A. A. Cosey. This school has in connection a printing and sewing department under the direction of John W. White of Tuskegee and Miss V. B. Mason of Eckstein Norton University. Dr. S. J. Winston of Natchez is visiting his brother, F. J. Winston, the undertaker. Clarksdale, like Mound Bayou, is to have a colored bank. Fred Turner and James Gilliam from Alcorn College and Simon Henderson from Holly Springs Normal College are spending a pleasant vacation with their parents and friends. The A. M. E. church choir is taking special instruction in vocal music under Prof. W. C. Handy. The Freeman must eventually be found in every home.

Banquet Given in Honor of Judge M. W. Gibbs.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.—The banquet Tuesday evening, May 17th, at Bush's hall, was, in the opinion of the oldest citizen, the grandest ever witnessed in this city. It was an occasion where the M. W. Gibbs Republican Club tendered Judge M. W. Gibbs and his distinguished guests a most enjoyable feast socially and politically. Assembled around the festal board were some of Arkansas' foremost Negroes. After the menu, which was served in style, the major portion of the time was taken up in oratory. Judge Gibbs, the "Grand Old Man of Arkansas," was toastmaster, and not since years did the "Napoleon of Republicanism" make a grander effort at speech making than he did that evening. He uttered some brilliant thoughts, and when he spoke of his colleagues, warriors and young sons honoring him as they have he brought forth great applause. J. H. Donahoo was there, and it was a beautiful scene when they both shook hands and became friends forever. Mr. Donahoo made a very fine speech, acknowledging his defeat, but buried the hatchet manly. The others who were equal to the occasion in every respect were R C. Lacey, Fird Havis, Ex-Representative Murray, J E Bush C. W. Keats, W. A. Singfield, R. M. Caver, President J. A. Booker, Carey Lewis of the Hot Springs Echo C. B King and many others of equal prominence.

INDIANA'S CARLSBAD

OUR CORRESPONDENT'S WEEKLY LETTER OF ORANGE COUNTY

GREAT COSMOPOLITAN VALLEY

The Gathering of Pleasure and Health Seekers From all Over the Country at French Lick—Strenuous Social Life Among the Inhabitants.

French Lick, Ind., Special.—Mr. Dan Powell has returned from Louisville.—Mr. Wm. Levels entertained the Village Whist Club Thursday evening.—Miss Prima Fitzbutler is spending a few days here, the guest of Mrs. R. A. Schaefer.—Tom Thomas and George Waddy are back from a pleasure trip to the city.—Mr. John Ross has opened a tonsorial parlor in the Fortuna Cafe building.—Mrs. Mack Larter has returned from Bedford.—Charley and Dora Wilson have gone to Louisville, where they will fill a six weeks engagement at Minaweb park. Tom Logan and Will Able are also at the same place.—Every hotel in the valley has its share of guests and still they come. Each of the incoming six daily trains brings new faces, and the train from Chicago carries three sleepers instead of two, and yet the two day trains from Chicago are always full.—Mrs. E. A. Grimes and son, Carl, are in Columbus, Ind., on a visit.—Mr. George L. Clark is here for a stay of three weeks.—Albert Collins spent Sunday in Louisville.—Mrs. John Ross is here for a few days.—The base ball game Sunday between the West Baden Greys and French Lick Pluto team resulted in a victory for Baden, score 8 to 7. The special features of the game were the pitching of Skump and the stick work of Emmet Walkker.—"Piggy" Taylor is here.—The Sunday School at the residence of Mrs. Mollie Payne is well attended. The ardent workers have done much to arouse the present interest, and much good work is promised for the present season.—Jerry Reed has gone to St. Louis.—Mrs. Susie Guthrie has reopened her dining rooms. The entire second floor being reserved for such, leaving her entire residence for the use of health and pleasure seeking guests.—More than 800 visitors are in the valley.—Several well known ladies and gentlemen of Chicago are expected in the valley this week.—Miss Sarah Dunn, of Louisville, is visiting here.—Mrs. Wm. Jones, of Louisville, will make her home in French Lick this season.—Mrs. Watt McNairy, who is visiting in Louisville, spent Sunday here.—J. B. Jackson has gone to St. Louis.—Several young ladies of Louisville are expected out in June.—Mr. Erbin Slye has returned from Chicago.—Mr. E. Grimes has gone to Columbus, to visit his family.—Mr. Adriel Lytton, of Milwaukee, is here for a short stay.—Miss Hazel Horner and brother, Harry, of Cincinnati, will spend the season here.—David Taylor entertained the "bellmen" with a stag Saturday evening. The affair was in celebration of Dave's advent to the bellstand.—Mrs. A. Jackson, of Louisville, is here and will most likely spend the season here.

Birthday Anniversary.

Defiance, Ohio, Special.—Mr. Charles Hightower of Hiland Center spent Sunday, May 15th, in Defiance. May 17th being his birthday Mr. F. W. Sherwood celebrated his twenty-second anniversary at his home on Ayersville avenue by entertaining a number of his friends. Cards, music and singing were the amusements, after which a birthday supper was served at 11:30 at which the young folks enjoyed themselves, in honor of the host by Mrs. Louetta Miller assisted by Miss Myrtle Vinagar. The host received many valuable presents. At a late hour a jovial good night was tendered the host in a song entitled "Good Night."

Summer League Meets.

The Summer League of Marion county met Wednesday evening at their new quarters in the Grand Army Headquarters in Indiana Ave., a large number were in attendance and much interest in evidence. The next meeting will be held June 8 at which time officers will be elected It is quite evident that the present incumbants will be re elected. The election will be by Australlian ballot from 5 to 9 p. m. A lively time is looked for.

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among the first made. He was employed by one of the first firms in the business. Major Taylor, now one of the world's famous riders, was the lad; he early learned to manage the machine and was known for his tricks before other people had learned to stay on their wheels.

Major's people lived in what is known as North Indianapolis. I taught one of his brothers, a lame boy, and two of his sisters. I think the girls are now at his home in the east. One sister and two brothers are about Indianapolis more or less of the time. He has been very generous to his sister at home and to his mother and father, both of whom died since he has been East, his father being recently killed by the railroad cars.

Major was simply born for a great rider; his limbs and everything seems proportionately correct for great endurance; he looks like a race horse that will win; tough, wiry, sinewy, not too fat, not too lean, but just it. Taylor has but very little education; he was one of the fathers to his big family, and an excellent one he made. He is not much of a sport; simply rides a bicycle. He joined church and was baptized when in the heighth of his glory and financial success. Many another man would have "blowed themselves." If Taylor is as he was when he left for Australia he is nearly a model young man. He found a lovely woman East and married her; she certainly got a good man and good money. She is with him now; they paid The Freeman office a visit when on their way to California en route to Australia.

In Australia they have paid Taylor much greater consideration than has been paid him in this country. One of the Australian papers had an excellent likeness of him on the field on his wheel with Sir and Lady something (I forget the name) on either side of him. He had just won the stake offered by them; so it may be seen that he has been hobnobbing with titled aristocracy. The Australian papers have been full of Major Taylor. He has been defeated a few times. He says in his letter to Elwood C. Knox, whom he greatly admires, that he will retire when he has finished his contracts abroad. He can afford it for he has made thousands of dollars and he has got it.

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INNOCENCE.

Innocence like lily's white
That bloom upon the soil,
And sends conviction to the one
Who would their lives despoil.

Innocence, that harmless dove,
Defending not its own,
Is but a savor in the earth;
In heaven is its home.

Innocence, that knows no fear,
Confides in friend or foe,
And shrinks not at the voice of death
When called from earth to go.

Innocence, O! boundless grace
From Christ upon the throne,
A light within His children's face,
An emblem of His own.

—W. Wallace Needham, Zanesville, O.

PENCILINGS.

By W. Milton Lewis, Indianapolis, Ind.

It was years ago, when a little black boy might have been seen cavorting up and down Washington street, opposite our beautiful State House, on one of those hard tired bicycles, which was

HALF RATES.

To Springfield, Ills., and return via Big Four Route, annual meeting of the Travelers' Protective Association of America. Tickets to Springfield, Ills and return will be on sale on June 4th and fifth, 1904, at half rates. Final return limit to leave Springfield to and including June 16, 1904. For full information and particulars as to rates, tickets, limits, etc., call on Agents "Big Four Route," or address the undersigned.

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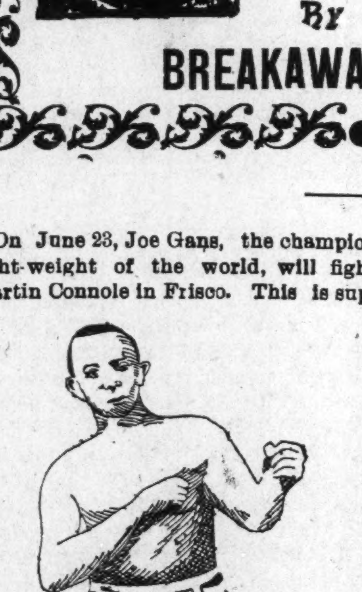
On June 23, Joe Gans, the champion light-weight of the world, will fight Martin Connole in Frisco. This is sup-



JOE GANS.

posed to prove a "spicy" go, as both men are fast fighters. Gans is to defend the title.

Joe Walcott is to meet J. Johnson in Colma, Cal. on the 30th of May.

J. Winkfield, who was signed to ride in Russia this year, will not go; owing to the present war with Japan.

Sporting News says that Geo. Dixon is sill the acknowledged champion featherweight, from the fact that he has never been whipped at the scale which divides his class from the lightweight ranks.

There is a colored league in Louisiana consisting of four base ball clubs, the "Tutti Fruiti," "Eclipse," "Lamberts" and "All Stars." This league was successfully conducted last season, in the city of New Orleans, the "Eclipse" team winning the pennant.

Prehaps the fastest short stop in college base ball today, is Clarence Matthews, who plays that position on the Harvard University team. Matthews has the distinction of being the only colored member of the team, of which he is assistant captain. He is a member of the senior class.

Mr. E. W. D. Isaac, Jr. has been selected 2nd baseman and captain of the Baptist Pub. House team at Nashville.

O. E. DUNCAN.

A. M. E. CONFERENCE

THROWN INTO A PANIC BY A DEMENTED MAN

GOV. DURBIN'S LIFE THREATENED

Officers Selected by That August Body —Mostly all Hold-overs—Gov. Durbin, of Indiana, Gives Some Wholesome Advice—Successful Conference

Quinn Chapel was thrown into a panic last Monday evening, May 16, by a demented man during an address being delivered by Gov. Durbin, of Indiana. This man rushed down the isle saying: "I will kill any man who dares to dispute the word of Father Abraham." Venerable bishops and laymen rushed upon him before he could reach the platform, others placed themselves between Indiana's executive and the struggling fanatic. The man was put out of the church. It is believed he is insane. No one seemed to know him, as I inquired, but with no success to find out his name.

He was first noticed when he cried out: "I will kill any may who dares to dipute the word of Father Abraham, father of the nation. I'm in the world to see that no one does." Bishop Grant, D. D., chairman of the General Conference Commission, presided and introduced the speaker. The people gave the governor an ovation when he rose to deliver his address. He said in part: "It is in my opnion high time for the colored people to cease looking upon themselves as a problem. Such a conception of the race problem is simply the sum of the problems confronting every black man as they do every white man, and which every man must solve for himself. He also spoke much more, quite worthy of mention but had not time to catch it all.

The General Conference selected the following officers: John H. Collett, D. D., of Baltimore, manager of the book concern in Philadelphia; H. T. Johnson, of Philadelphia, editor of the Christian Recorder; E. W. Lampton, D. D., of Greenville, Miss., Financial Secretary; John R. Hawkins, A. M. Kittrel, of North Carolina, Secretary of Education; H. B. Parks, D. D., of New York City, Missionary Secretary; W. D. Chappelle, D. D., of Nashville, Tenn., Secretary of the A. M. E. Sunday School Union.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES

An olive tree containing 1,000 incandescent electric lights is a part of an olive oil display in the Agriculture building at the World's Fair.

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Two hundred and seventy-five students of Princeton University will visit the World's Fair in a body during the latter part of May.

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A large number of the famous old box trees, trimmed to the shape of animals, birds and other queer forms, hold a place in the garden surrounding the British building at the World's Fair. The trees are valuable, as it takes from ten to twelve years to cultivate one.

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A native orchestra of sixteen pieces discourses sweet music in the Visayan village on the Philippine reservation at the World's Fair. A number of the players are composers as well, and have written several compositions.

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One hundred paintings by Indiana Artists are hung in the Indiana building at the World's Fair. The paintings are all typical of Hoosier life. A character study of a large dimensions by T. C. Steele, entitled "The Committee," depicts the deliberation of three members of a country school board, who are deep in argument.

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Holland's art exhibit occupies nine rooms and two ate-rooms in the Art Palace at the World's Fair. Among the famous paintings shown are Israel's "The Scribe" William Maris', "Cows in Pasture," Mesdag's "Cloudy Day at Sea," Theophile de Book's "Autumn Colors," B. J. Bloomer's "Departure of the Fisherman," and G. H. Breitner's "Winter Scene in Amsterdam."

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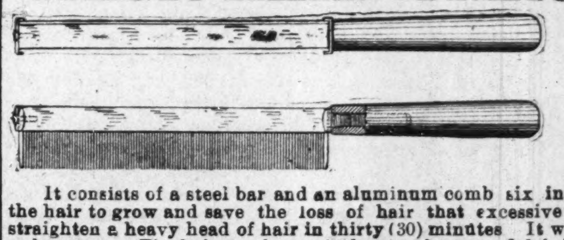

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Mr. N. Branch of San Antonio and Mr. Bias of Houston, Texas, passed through this city last Saturday en route to Omaha, Neb. They are two of the Texas Headwaiters of San Antonio Club.

It is with much regret that we chronicle the death of Mrs. Sarah Cook, wife of Mr. J. L. Cook of 173 Wells street, Chicago, Ill., who departed this life recently. Mr. Cook is a well-known waiter and was formerly second waiter at Gore's European Hotel.

Mr. C. C. Randolph, the well-known headwaiter at the Sherman Square Hotel, New York City, will be in charge of the dining room at the Buena Vista Hotel, Blueridge Mountains, Pa. Mr. Randolph will attend the Headwaiter's Convention at Atlantic City.

The present administration of the Head and Second Waiters' Association has severed all connections between the association and the hotel proprietor. This is a grave mistake, and very largely accounts for the colored waiters losing out in so many hotels. The association should use its influence to build up a friendly relation between the hotel proprietors and the head and side waiters. The association is never heard of now a days through the hotel journals. The above friendly relation must be established and maintained or else the colored waiters will soon be a thing of the past. Now, what will the administration do?

The waiter's school, which has been running for ten weeks in The Freeman, closed recently. In the lessons we usually gave freely all our knowledge that the men of the culinary art, who were not proficient in letter writing, might be benefitted. These lessons, if received from a private or business school, would have cost at least fifty cents each or five dollars for the course of ten lessons. If we have, in our humble way, been the means of saving a few men of the profession the expense that would have thus occurred and at the same time given them the same benefit, we feel well repaid for our endeavor.

In an interview with the editor of this department recently Mr. E. Braithwaite, who has the honor of being secretary to Mr. Frank P. Thompson, said that the Headwaiters' Association was nothing, that it had no policy, stood for no principle and the men who had been at the head of it had no influence and that when F. P. Thompson was elected president its treasury was empty. Mr. Braithwaite also delivered himself of many other things in his effort to make Frank P. Thompson great at the expense of former officials of the association, and with the air of a prince exclaimed that Mr. Thompson was not in the editor's class. We informed the gentleman that while we might not be in Mr. Thompson's class we knew that we had done at least as much to uplift the profession as his dear friend whom he desired to make great. The editor is willing to leave it to the head and side waiters throughout the country to decide for themselves as to who has done the most to uplift and elevate the men of the profession. During the time the editor was president of the Headwaiters Association he secured positions for over fifty head and second waiters without charging them for same Our work and record stands and speaks for itself.

In a recent issue of the Evening Herald of Syracuse, N. Y., it was stated that it was rumored that white waiters would succeed the colored waiters employed in the Yates House Cafe, and further says;

The colored waiters have heard the reports of this latest change with doleful countenances. In the swell hotels and restaurants of the North they have gradually lost their foothold through the growing inroads of the white men who have made table waiting a science. There are some first class Negro waiters who are artists in their line, but the ability of the white man has beaten them out.

The percentage of whites in the waiter business used to be kept down because of the lack of suitable income and because of the dignity and vanity of the race. But now that they call it an "art" or a "science," the Negroes are losing their hold. Besides this, the lavish incomes that are getting to be customary in the business have attracted many to study it.

In fact, the sole complaint of patrons against the white waiter is the size of the tip he exacts. A white waiter will invariably make a patron take cold food or tough meat, or spill the gravy on the tablecloth unless he gets a tip sometimes as big as the price of the meal itself. From 10 cents the sizes of tips have arisen to 25 or 50 cents and even a dollar. The diner is expected to wilt beneath the glance of scorn when he gives up only 10 cents to a white waiter.

In return for this the white waiters claim that they give an equivalent in artistic service.

If the change is made at the Yates it will not affect the regular dining room, where the veteran Tom Clark anp his well trained corps will still hold forth.

Pythians Banquet.

The Knights of Pythias gave a swell banquet in Atlantic City. N. J., recently, and as the majority of its members are hotel men we herewith reproduce the menu and program, which was as follows:

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Harrisburg Items.

Harrisburg, Pa, Special.—Joseph L. Thomas spent several days in Altoona, last week, attending the annual con clave of the Knights Templar. Charles Hill of Mt. Alto spent a few days in the city during the past week. Rev. Theobald Symthe has returned from his trip to Chicago, where he attended the General Conference held there. The Cuban Giants played two games here last Friday and Saturday, and were defeated in both. The H. A. C. were too much for them, but there is not one base ball club that has enjoyed the experience of base ball that the Cuban Giants have, though owing to age the boys cannot hold their own as they once did; but they do extremely well, and they should be retired on a pension for their good work done in the past. The Dauphin County Afro-American Republican League held their regular meeting Monday evening and elected delegates to the State convention, which will convene at Philadelphia June 14th and 15th. Rev. Isaac Dorsey preached an excellent sermon Sunday morning, May 14th, at the Wesley A. M. E. Zion church in the absence of the pastor, Rev. Blalock, who was a delegate to the General Conference held at St. Louis. Rev Dorsey is a young minister, holds the pastorship of the Marion Street church, and has a large membership. He has done much since his appointment to that charge to raise the standard of the church, and has been greeted with good success, having won the good wishes and friendship of the public. We wish him continued success with the good work. William Grobes of Delaware county was recently appointed to the position of messenger in the State Treasure's department to succeed Messenger Jones, who has been ill for some time. Wm. Payne has been ill at his home for several days. Morris Coleman and family are now occupying one of the handsome flats that has recently undergone improvement and modern equipments by Mr. Joseph Thomas, the owner, on South street. Among our business interests we have Col. Strothers, who is the proprietor of one of the largest pool rooms in the city. Mr. Strothers was at one time a member of the police force and rendered most excellent service during his term. He made many friends among both white and colored, and since opening his pool room he has gained a large patronage, having as his manager Albert Quoin. Mrs. J. Richardson, having recently opened a first class confectionery and ice cream store, reports that she is enjoying a good patronage.

(Mr. Editor—Kindly allow me to extend to Bishop Turner my congratulations for the words spoke at the General Conference, held in Chicago, regarding the song, "America." As I have traveled both North and South I find that the words spoken by him are certainly true, for we have no country, and not enough liberty to sing about and never will have unless our people learn to educate their children and bring them up in a different way from what they are doing at present. And I would further say that we have had education and the proper training we can come before the public and demand our rights and respects, and that is the only remedy that will ever help us in that line.)—George L. Griffin, Manager of the Afro-American Subscription Age.

Winnipeg Notes.

Winnepeg, Manitoba. Special.—We are having some very disagreeable weather at present which has lasted a week or more; but you can expect anything in the weather line in this part of the country. There are thousands of immigrants coming into Manitoba and the Northwest, but I see very few colored people coming. This is a great country and I must say that Winnepeg has some thrifty colored people; all are in business for themselves or have good situations. I shall mention a few who are making lots of money, Mr. John Smith has a nice restaurant on Main St., and is doing an immense business. Prof. J. Waddell has one of the finest tonsorial parlors in the city and a fine business. Mr. John Clay has tonsorial parlors on Main and is doing most all the business in that part of the city. Mr. C H. Jones, the silent man, has a barber shop on Graham St., and is doing well. Mrs C. H Parker and children arrived from Toronto on the 7th inst. Mrs Parker was at the depot to meet them. They will reside in one of Mr. Parker's residences. "Dick Thomas," the Canadian late of Roscoe and Holland's Minstrel and his partner R D. Brown are here working with a doctor. "Dick" looks as red as a June rose. Subscribe for The Freeman and be in the swim.

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SATURDAY, MAY 28, 1904.

BISHOP I. B. SCOTT.

The M. E. Conference at Los Angeles, Cal., has done the very agreeable thing in selecting Dr. I. B. Scott (colored), editor of the Southwestern Christian Advocate, as bishop. It had been thought that the distinguished honor would go to Dr. J. W. E. Bowen of Atlanta, Ga., but it appears that the conference preferred Dr. Scott.

Bishop Scott of New Orleans, La, is one of the leading colored men of the M. E church; he was one of a trio—Drs. Bowen, Scott and Mason—whose names have been mentioned for years with the episcopacy of the M. E church. As editor of the Southwestern Advocate, an organ of the church, he has shown himself highly capable for the work. He is a strong writer, having a clear conception of the leading questions of to-day and especially the racial question which he very often considered. His situation was somewhat peculiar, since his journal was supported largely by those of the opposite race, many of whom held somewhat opposing race views, yet his administration seems to have given satisfaction to all.

Bishop Scott will be remembered in Indianapolis, where he attended the Afro-American League four years ago Those who came in close contact with him will remember him as a quiet, unobstrusive man with gentlemanly bearing, who kept tab on all proceedings, although taking but small part in any. He was decidedly one of the most agreeable men of that body. The discerning eye could detect his ability and qualifications which he at no time asserted; he rather relished the humorous, and there were many humorous happenings at the convention. A friendship sprang up between the editor of The Freeman and the editor of the Southwestern Advocate, evidences of which has been noted from time to time in the two journals. His views have not always accorded when discussing the race question, but he has been free from the little meannesses and flings that has been too prevalent in race journalism.

We take this opportunity to congratulate Dr. Scott for his ascendancy in the M. E church, feeling it a worthy recognition of his eminent worth. A good, able, clear man has been selected who will reflect honor on himself, the church and on the particular race with which he is identified.

ARE WE PAGANS.

Dr. Wallace Buttrick of New York in addressing the Baptist assemblies at Cleveland last Monday says that many of the Negro churches in the country are pagan in character. The chances are that Dr. Buttrick will be assailed right and left in trying to save against the effects of the stern criticism. The assertion doubtless was made in good faith and as damaging as it seems to be, it is worthy of the most careful thought "The truth will make you free;" it is what is wanted, rather than individualism and personal resentment concerning questions of this kind.

It is but honest to say that discerning Negroes know that many of the churches do not conform to the principles they claim to set forth. But Rev. Butterick waited too long in announcing his discovery. The Negro churches are rapidly improving and must, under the white light of the twentieth century enlightenment which is converting "barbarians to Greeks"—the new educated Negro compares and contrasts and is repudiating. Some things he must accept with a mental resrvation knowing that too sudden innovation would be harmful in more ways than one. The old; the links between what was and what is and what is to be, must be respected in their beliefs and customs; they are honest. They were not and are not pagans in the sense of idolatrous worship but prehaps paganistic in their zeal in appealing to an ever present God—omnipresent. The frenzy in worship such as is known in the war and death dances of the American Indians is a species of religious intoxication known or has been known in most churches; it is real; it is sincere, but a state arrived at by the profound belief, and indulging the fancy instead of curbing it. The funeral lamentation when respect for the dead is considered greatest shown, when the supreme cry of anguish, the heart splitting wail are felt to be the individual rites, in attestation of esteem.

It often happens that this kindness for the departed is to often deferred to this last day. Those who come nearer carrying out the Christ principles daily, utter the one low moan and deep; the soughing sigh, the moistened eye, the heaving breast, the speechless tongue but a heart as Pompeii.

These things may not be signs of christianity or high civilization but it is notable that they follow as a result the world over. They are those things by which the race will be adjudged and set down—we again state that Rev. Buttrick is late in making his discovery Time is rapidly pushing the Negro beyond the pale of paganism but he still lingers in the shadow and will continue there until time moves him on.

HONOR THE NATION'S SOLDIERY.

The 30th of May comes again, and with it is revived the memory of heroes in truth, our soldiers and sailors, dead, who threw themselves in the deadly breach of the country's quarrel and stanched, let us say, for all time to come. They died that we might live, like the Christ of the cross, whose death was a victory. A new born race was among the first fruits of their victory, added to that is national unity, integrity, peace and prosperity, all of which is directly attributed to their sacrifice—greater love hath no man than this. These are those for whom praise may well afford to exhaust itself and the voice of slander die forever. The living, no less than dead, are to be held in greatful appreciation; they also, to all intents and purposes, died for the country, and without which sacrifice political bedlam or anarchy would reign; they sacrificed limb, an eye, health, business prospects and such like. When the game is such that the stake is life the whole world should be put in the balance beside. The government can not vote too much money to the saviours of the government. The citizens of the commonwealth can not do too great honor to the defenders of the commonwealth.

Prof. John J. Smallwood, principal of the Temperance, Industrial and Collegiate Institute at Claremont, Va., is expected to go to England, Ireland, Scotland and Germany to lecture on the American educated Negro with the view of proving that the American Negro teacher, preacher and farmer who, because of their long contact with the white man, are better fitted to train and to develop the African Negro. It is held that the white missionaries have failed to bring about anything like the expected results.

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Miss Hazel Harrison, a talented young colored pianist of Laporte, Ind., has been highly honored by an invitation to play with the Philharmonic Orchestra of Berlin, Germany's most renown musical organization. It is said that the honor is seldom bestowed on the great European pianists and has never before been accorded one so young. It is also stated that perhaps the most brilliant audience ever assembled at the opera house listened to the program which she will render in Berlin in September. It is needless to say that there's room at the top. Let Indianapolis stand up; she sometimes thinks she knows, but the woods are full of those that do.

Rev. H. E. Stewart of Allen Chapel says that the legislation of the General Conference increasing the bishop's salaries will be beneficial to the church since the bishops are not permitted to tax the churches in any way for their current expenses, thereby saving thousands of dollars to be used for other purposes.

The A. M. E. General Conference made an inovation and decided advance step according to the views of many when it permitted laymen as delegates to annual Conferences. The laymen will be barred in two instances from full participations in the deliberations of the Conferences.

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Samuel Taylor, the colored boy of the Indianapolis High School, won second place in the oratorical contest at Crawfordsville last week. He was accompanied by enthusiastic admirers. The colored people of that city made it very pleasant for the visitors.

The National Negro Business Men's League will meet in Indianapolis the last of August. The local league is making preparations for entertaining the great number of people that are expected.

Abolish the Foolish Color Line.

The success of Samuel Taylor, an Indianapolis colored lad, who came within five-sixths of one per cent of winning the State oratorical contest, at Crawfordsville, ought to go far toward eradicating the ridiculous race feeling which has developed at Shortridge high school and other institutions.

Taylor demonstrated clearly, both in the primaries and final contest, that he was the mental equal of the youths with whom he contested.

If a few pronounced anti-Hamites would keep their indiscreet tongues still, a large part of the race excitement, which has often culminated in riots and lynchings, would cease.

Allow the colored man to believe that he and his children are to have their liberties and opportunities and he will make a good citizen.—Indianapolis Sun.

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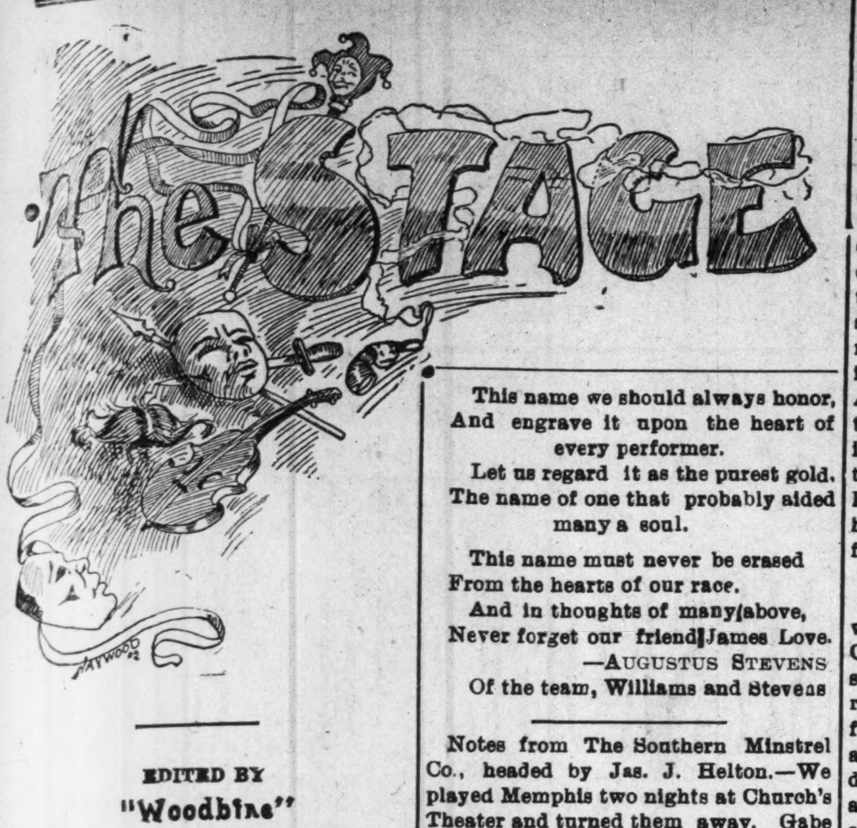

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A RABBIT'S FOOT CO.—Newport-News, Va., May 30; Williamsburg, 31; Manchester, June 1; Petersburg, 2; Norfolk, 3; Portsmouth, 4.

P. G. LOWERY 4-Paws & Sells' Bros.' Circus—Portland, Me., May 30; Dover, N. H, 31; Manchester, June 1; Concord, 2; Nashua, 3; Fitchburg, Mass., 4.

The team of Inman and Davis wish their friends to know that they are still with the "Rabbit Foot" and are having much success. We met many friends in Washington, D. C., among them were George Watkin and Johnnie Green. Much luck to Harry Kraton & other friends. Inman sends regards to the Campbell Bros. and S. H. Dudley. Davis sends regards to all friends. Battle and Simmons write.

Mr. Happy Arthur Howell, the favorite of the south, has won the best reputation in Washington and Baltimore working single as usual and cleaning for the best of them. He is too far gone all knockers keep your hammers down. Regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Miss Louise Stevens and her partner Miss Weekley are making quite a success with the company. Mr. Sam Cohen, the well known Negro speeler, is playing real Ebenezer and has no critics. Mr. Bore Reece our (b) clarinet player sends regards to Jim Lacy and says look out for him.

John Hopkins playing "Old Dusenbarry" in a Rabbit's Foot Comedy Co, is up to the standard, says The Washington Star, and is certianly at home in the center of the first part sitting. Hopkins met quite a number of his 10th cavalry comrades in Washington, among them Harrison Irvin, Troop 'I," 10th cavalry, John B. Drew, regimental band 10th cavalry also Mr. Harry Pleasant who entertained him highly. He sends regards to all friends in and out of the profession. Regards to D Ireland Thomas. Write as per route in The Freeman, something doing.

Notes from The Blue Ribbon Theater, Louisville, Ky.—Stage Manager John Williams writes the following: We have some of the best people that are in the business, headed by Lee and Williams. The Taylors is the crack sketch team of the South. Miss Green is making a bit of her life singing, "I don't care." Miss Hoke is getting by as usual. Mrs. Vida Divine is making good. Mr. Ford Lee makes them all laugh. Williams, himself need not tell how he is doing, he is known as an all round performer and sends his regards to all of his old home boys on the New Orleans Minstrels and elsewhere.

Our Friend "Daddy" Love.

It is sad, as much as it is true,
To lose one that was a friend to you
Amomg the Holy ones above
Now resides our friend James Love.

This name we should always honor,
And engrave it upon the heart of every performer.
Let us regard it as the purest gold.
The name of one that probably aided many a soul.

This name must never be erased
From the hearts of our race.
And in thoughts of many above,
Never forget our friend James Love.

—AUGUSTUS STEVENS
Of the team, Williams and Stevens

Notes from The Southern Minstrel Co., headed by Jas. J. Helton.—We played Memphis two nights at Church's Theater and turned them away. Gabe Holt is yet holding them down. E J. Elliott and W. B. Jones are taking two and three encores. J. Hunter, C. Wilson, F. Strong and W. Simmons the Big Four song and dance actors, are making good. Prof. Felix is playing some nice music in the band. A. Rimble, W. Smith and H. Collins of our band are doing fine. Jas. Jackson and E. Robertson, our singing comedians, and are making good also. Our managers Larty and Joseph Decournen are well satisfied with the show. Jas J. Helton is knocking 'em out every night he is one of the finest comedians in the business and has a great reputation. He sends regards to Tom Logan, John H. Lewis, Kersands and wife, and says, "Who is who, boys."

Notes from P. J. Lowery's Vaudeville Co., with 4 Paw and Sells Circus.

While in Boston we had the honor of entertaining Mr. Chas. B. Foster and wife late of the Smart Set Co. Thursday evening Mr. Foster entertained the entire company to the highest ability, the evening was spent in dancing. Friday evening James S. Rayford, Goines and Hazard gave a grand ball in honor of Prof. Lowery and Co. which was highly appreciated by all. Mr. Lowery was highly entertained by Mr. Walker and Palmer while in Boston, he also had the honor of meeting several of his old friends. Henry McDade would like to hear from Allen's Minstrels, he sends regards to all friends. Arthur Wollige would like to hear from Clemo Harris. Johnnie Stewart sends regards to all friends. Miss Sallie Lee was highly entertained by her cousin Miss Meekins of Cambridge, Mass. Emma Thompson sends regards to all friends.

Mallory Bros. and Brooks assisted by Miss Grace Halliday, will close the second successful season with the Fenberg Stock Co. (white) at Wilkesbarre, Pa. May 21, they will then play a week in vaudeville at Toledo, O., they will then go to their home Jacksonville, Ill. for vacation. The Mallory Bros. are contemplating opening a business in Jacksonville or Peoria, Ill. They are at present interested in quite a little real estate in Jacksonville, Ill. They are in position to accept only the best theatrical engagements, as they are not compelled to leave home for every dollar that comes in. They are expecting a visit from the famous comedian Billy Kersands and wife, in June. Their four act, Mallory Bros. Brooks & Halliday is booked for the coming season in the leading vaudeville houses They send regards to the profession, and would like to hear from friends who may address them to Jackonville Ill, Mallory Bros. Cottage.

Napoleon Johnson sends the following from Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels: After about four months' of much needed rest I rejoined the Georgia Minstrels as tenor soloist at Columbus, Neb., May 19th, and found the company in fine running order. The company, although on its summer tour under the able stage managership of Clarence Powell, the funny fellow with big mouth fame, is more than making good and getting the money as usual. Although quite a number of the old fellows have closed Powell has changed the show all around, it is up to the standard again. The following people closed at Lincoln, Neb, on May 23d: Campbell brothers (Burk and Mangie), Charles Scott and Arthur Moss. Mr. Rusco on the 21st for Omaha and will meet us there with new people during our engagement on the 22d. The press and public say the Georgia's are like the running brook seems to say, "Men come and men may go," but I go on forever.

Notes from A Rabbitt Foot Co.—We have just closed the week beginning the 9th of May, in Washington, D. C. which was a very successful week with us. Daily street parade, matinee and night held the town at a wonder the entire week. America's refined colored team Hill and Hill, singers, dancers and cake walkers scored an enormous hit each time they appeared on the stage, while Happy Howe kept them yelling all the time as if the house was falling. Inman and Davis, singers and talking comedians, were also great favorites. We are now in Baltimore. We had lots of trouble in trying to make the parade on account of the people crowding in the streets to see the parade. Our same success that we had in Washington was repeated in Baltimore, our show opening to the largest business yet. Mr. Amos L. Gilliard, the people's favorite trombone soloist, is featuring his favorite solo "Eifel Tower" and is making things warm for all trombone players He says if he really has any friends let him hear from them. Regards to all friends in and out of the profession.

Notes from the "Old Plantation Show with Patterson & Brainard Carnival Company.—This carnival company is said to be one of the best now on the road; its shows are the strongest; its free acts are the greatest; their fronts are the swellest. Patterson & Brainard did well to engage Manager Jess Brown and his company of players. We opened at Ottawa, Kas, May 9th with one of the best companies of colored performers ever got together for a plantation show, assisted by A1 band and orchestra. The members of the company and band are Jess Brown, band master; Charlie Washington, orchestra leader; Scott Williams, vocal director; Auther White, stage manager; E M. Owsley, Ben. Jarett, John Burton, Mrs. John Burton, Mrs. Jess Brown, Billy Ownes, Jeff Dods, Miss Ella Jefferson, Miss Louzette Smith. The members of the band are Charlie Washington, leader, baritone; Elmer Moore, solo Bb cornet; Scott Williams, solo Bb cornet; Frank Hunter, trombone; Jim Buckner, tuba; E M Owsley, first alto; Jess Brown, second alto; John Burton, snare drum; Arthur (daddy) White, bass drum. Orchestra—Scott Williams, violin; Frank Hunter, trombone; Elmer Moore, cornet; Charlie Washington, cello; Jim Buckner, bass.

Notes from the Famous Billy Kersands Minstrel Co.—Our show is yet playing the capacity of the houses all along its route, and will close a very successful season June 4th at the Hopkins Theater, Chicago, Ill. It is a well known fact that Billy Kersands has been a successful man all his life, but this season has by far surpassed all his past efforts in the way of success, fame & finance. We have just closed a very successful three days' engagement in DeMoines. The papers of that city claim our show to be the best that has ever visited their city and the stage hands join them in their sentiment. Mr. and Mrs. Kersands received a letter from the Brooks, Mallory team, and send their best wishes to them, expecting to meet them in Shy early in June, where they intend to spend the summer except a couple of weeks of their vacation, they intend to spend at the home of the Mallory's in Jacksonville, Ill. Miss Maggie and the Kersands send regards to Mr. Dick Thomas and says write. Mr. Thomas F. Edwards, the friend, has succeeded in getting up a base ball team in our company of much comment. Prof. Lacy seeing the team was a grand success, bought the team outright, and has named them the Lacy's Hornets, and established his staff in the following manner: G W. Houseley, mar; Thos. F. Edwards, p; E. J. Burton, c; Sam Cook, 1b; Dave Smith, 2b; Ted Morton, ss; T. Harry Morton, 3b; Oscar Cannon, lf; M. D. Houseley, cf; Sid Kirkpatrick, rf; B. Houseley, p. Have not played many games yet, but have won all so far. The first match game being at Lawrence, Kan., 6-2 in favor of the Hornets. The next good game being in Des Moines, Iowa, with the Des Moines Giants. The game 5-2 in favor of the Hornets. The next big game will be in Moline, Ill. with the Moline Cracks, our team sends regards to John Sherman, telling him to look wise, and Jessie Gilmer put your money on the right side hereafter, better you leave prize fighters alone, we will see our friends in Shy soon.

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—HARRY FIDLER.

IN THE SPORTING WORLD.

The go between Mike Schreck of Cincinnati and Jack (Twin) Sullivan at the Empire Theater June 1, should prove the best contest that the Indianapolis Athletic Club has given. Sullivan's contest with Hugo Kelly stamped him a favorite here, which caused his re-engagement, and the club was fortunate in getting the clever Cincinnatian for his opponent.

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Robert Fanning, colored, of Frankfort, Ind., who is matched to fight Beverly Howard, colored, of Indianapolis, at the Empire Theater this city, on the night of Wednesday, June 1, says that he is in excellent condition. Fanning has considerable of a reputation in Frankfort and 200 lovers of the game are expected to come from there to see the contest DUNCAN.

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While the plays by the Holden Stock Company have been unusually successful during the engagement at the Park the players think that the two to be put on next week will be the best they have offered. The first piece will be "My Partner," a play that was famous twenty years ago, and, with the exception of "Arizonia," said to be the best story of Western life ever written for the stage. Its scenes are around Mt. Shasta, California, and the time in the gold fever days. The chief characters are two miners, who join their hardships and brotherly attachment in the contest for gold, and find it. But their ties are broken by the appearance of the daughter of a mountain hermit at their cabin, which leads to the slaying of one of the partners. John A. Preston and George A. Mackey will assume the roles of the miners and Miss Bernice Howard will impersonate the hermit's daughter.

On Thursday and old Irish comedy-drama, never seen in Indianapolis, will be put on. It is a beautiful love story of Irish peasantry, and its title is "Kathleen Mavourneen." The old song, first sung in this play, is familiar to every one. Two acts of the play show the peaceful love affairs of Kathleen. The last two acts show a tragic dream which she has, awakening to find that the tragedy is not true. The company will give an old time pillow dance, never seen in an Indianapolis theater, it taking the players in the aisle among tke audience. Mr. Preston and Miss Howard will portray the leading characters of the play.

Savannah, Ga, Lincoln Park Notes.

Brown & Floyd haven't had a chance to rest this week. They keep the house going all the time. Messers West, Turner, Alston and Scott, with ther comedy quartet, are making quite a hit singing "Swanee River." The Cramptons, Pauline and Walter, are making good. They keep a smile on the proprietor's face. The mascot, "Dutch," is still getting the glad hand of applause and what keeps us all laughing is the ghost, you can meet him any time, from Monday to Saturday night. Chink says "Hello, Billy Reeves, there is no place like home." Pauline Crampton says "Hello, Tom Logan, don't be so stingy with your pen and ink." Regards to the Exchange theater.

The Old Plantation show, under the management of H. E. Handy, is getting "top money" with the Dixie Drummer Co. Eugene Clark's trombone act drives them crazy, also the dance on the corner by Jesse Allen gets the laugh. Robert Clark, as "Dinah," sends them out with a yell. Our roster includes H. E. Handy, manager; Eugene Clark, trombone; Miss Lena Clark, soloist; Charles Smith, stage manager and baritone soloist; Robert Clark, comedian; Jesse Allen, buck dancer; Henry Gray, "Uncle Eph;" George Black, musical director. Robert Clark send regards to Billy McClain, with Smart Set Co., also to Steve Breckenridge and all others. Miss Lena send regards to Ella Hoke and Nettie Taylor. George Black send regards to his brother, with Allen's minstrel. Charles Smith says: "Let them all come."

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He lives on beans and barley
That's why he looks so pale!

He's a man that's awfully handsome.
When we came from the store
He nodded to my sister—
We bowed, but nothing more.

He's much bigger than our brother,
But then I think we'll tell;
We girls have got no mother,
And can't fight very well.

But if he should whip young Wilbur
I wonder what we'd do?
We'd send for Uncle Charley
And make him fight him too!

We overheard the clubboys talking
About this frightful beast
They say "his left side liver
Has turned to compressed yeast!"

I expect his stomach's a goner,
By this time, Lue, don't you?
"He needs pure cream and honey—
Cod liver oil too.

I'm surprised at you, now Jennie,
To speak of his welfare?
It's human nature, Lusy,
So there—I just don't care!

But if he just had a liver,
And was no jail bird;
Mo matter about his family;
I wouldn't say a word.

"Well, then, go and pop the question,"
Said Lusy, who was mad—
But Jennie took things easy
Then said, "'Twould look too bad!"

I don't believe he has no liver!
How could he live that way?
"By oxygenic power"—
Jane said the doctors say.

So, with these remarks, they parted,
For Jennie's love was deep.
They found her in the river—
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—Sylvester Russell.

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THE PLAYWRIGHT QUESTION

BY SYLVESTER RUSSELL.

Ever since modern Negro comedy has been entered in the show business, introduced by the botchworkers and illegimately presented, with but few exceptions by legitimate actors, war has been declared on every comedy on record since "A Trip to Coontown." Day after day, month after month, and now year after year for the past three years have been spent in striving to set the pace for men who have play wright aspirations. It does seem ridiculous that educated men, in this particular, have been quite as slow to see the point as other men. Book dramas have dealt us almost a discouraging blow, but we will get over it even if our recovery is slow.

Will Hallback's sixteen leaf pamphlet will be, henceforth, considered a joke. Joseph S. Cotter's "Caleb" will rest in its grave forever, and as time goes stealing by we will look forward with eager eyes like a watchman looks for a burglar for something surprising at any moment. Everybody has something "up their sleeve" it seems, but nothing materalizes. "Lady Africa" is nothing. 'Queen of the Jungles" remains to been seen and Gustavus Hill's new something or other will also have to be seen to be discovered. Nobody knows who the authors of all these coming things are, or whether they are playwrights or bothworkers. The only objection to a botchmaker's play is, as has been stated, the scenes are served in separate bunches, like clusters of grapes. Botchworkers will ever lack a good, substantial story. But, if they write a play, why not sign all their names to it and be given some credit anyway? While there are no objections to a botchmaker's play if it is good. I smply argue that a story from one man's mind, if he is an idealist, would be more complete, and, as a natural writer, more brilliant and satisfactory. Two men I should think are quite enough people to write a little nonsense and put it in a proper uniform.

The managers and star actors must be willing to read over new comedies as fast as they are presented. The new, green, natural writers must be encouraged, and some day they will show the world and treat our actors to surprising work, and financial reward to follow. Drama's and operas will not be considered, except in repertoire companies, until the comedy situation is disposed of. Negro comedies must be written by colored men. White men can never write them true in point of racial reality. "Southern Enchantment," for instance, is a concoction of a black man's dinner mixed up with a white man's food. Olios of extravaganza and tough Negro chickens is a is a queer mixture for a comedy. But people go miles to see it. But, again, everything smart, irregular and manufactured, will not reach the highest station of pure, unadulterated Negro comedy, such as would live for a run in one of the greater New York theaters. The most disgusting thing about the colored playwrights is their two decided extremeties of aim. The botchworker-actors want to write all their comedies themselves, thinking they can discount a natural writer.

The educated playwright aspirants want to write dramas instead of comedy, when they know well that comedy is in demand above all other things on earth with white people. Now, what shall we do? How shall we go about getting these two factions of men to come together and harmonize? How many more times must this same story be preached? How many literary chumps are there now in every branch formerly mentioned in my past reviews, who do not understand it? I am solving the playwright question on its own grounds. Its solution is: "Read this article over forty times.

About a month ago and uneducated playwright from Chicago wrote me for advice about his play. Just to show the extent of his ignorance I will tell you what he did. He wrote with lead pencil. He addressed my letter on the outside omitting "Mr. or Esq." and on the inside he addressed me by my last name only. I simply mention this to show that a man who does not know how to address a letter with common courtesy can't know much about writing a play. He wanted to send me the manuscript of his drama (not comedy) to read over. I have not answered his query. I would have answered it had he enclosed a stamp, as I answer everybodies queries on stage questions who enclose a stamp.

If Mr. Cotter, or men of his education will give stage traditions a special study and then write a comedy I predict that we shall soon have real playwrights. The man who will write a successful comedy is the fellow who has first set out to learn the traditions of the Negro stage. He will go behind the scenes and see the sights as a play moves on. He will consult with stage people about things which he may not know. He will go to the theater and see all the comedies that come along exclusively. He will study the characteristics of his own race in all of its avenues, and conceive a race story in his own mind. A deep story will not do for comedy. If he is a natural writer, writing the play will not be so hard as putting it together and allowing one part of the play to proceed while other actors are dressing for the next scene. All these things and the "props" will have to be pictured in his mind throughout his task and every allowance made. He must be acquainted with the South, and somewhere in his play the lowly of the South must be presented in a pure comical vein. The ending scenes will have to be strong enough for a climax. Only by seeing stage productions can a green writer of talent conceive these ideas of tradition, which he must certainly know before he can succeed in turning out a successfull comedy.

Now you have a synopsis of the Negro playwright question. All it needs is digestion. What a slow set of dreamers some of our playwrights are. Its a heavy task I know, but I have failed to discover the first writer yet who has given the faintest sign of knowing anything whatever about the undertaking. No lucid light of Asiatic splendor could mar the brilliancy in value of what I have explained to a young, green playwright aspirant. It means much to the young man who can grasp the idea at once. This is no late day to begin. I have tired of preaching to old men. To the students of Tuskegee and other Southern colleges, as Yale, Harvard and Brown Universities have not yet qualified we look to you upon these grounds of instructions to erlong give us a play. When you have completed a "Russell Standard" comedy let me know and I will help you find somebody to produce it.

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The reason why actors retire so late—
Now this is an intrusion—
They stay out fishing with whisky for bait,
But find it quite a delusion.

The reason why actors have a big head,
Who've never been in college,
Is "pride and flattery" answers instead
Of educational knowledge.

The reason why actors never die rich
They treat the whole creation.
Perfectly willing to spend money which
Could aid all their poor relation.

The reason why actors are gay as a flee,
They feel like Carrie Nation;
They all feel giddy, they're as nice as can be!—
All creatures of admiration.

The reason why actors are idle in June,
And hate to see the summer,
Is because work is scarce, and then comes the tune:
"There goes that good-looking bummer!

The reason why actors seek a divorce
Is because they've had plethoric,
Of feminine gender with apple sauce
And rag-time tunes without lyric.

—Sylvester Russell.

THE GIRL WHO OBEYED HER FATHER.

If you and I were twelve years old
And loved each other dearly;
And if I cared to marry you,
What would you do?
"I'd just obey my father!"

If you and I were twelve years more
And still we loved sincerely;
And if I bought a house for you,
What would you do?
"I'd have to ask my father!"

If you and I were forty-four,
And marriage we'd decided,
And if I bought a ring for you,
What would you do?
"I'd first consult my father!"

We've both grown old, and feel dead sore—
An old maid and a bachelor.
Go search the Bible through and through
And show me two
Like you and your old father!

—Sylvester Russell.

[Mr. Russell wrote this poem from real life, told by a young man at Milo, Maine, recently.]

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Love is a dove that comes and goes;
Love is a dream that has its woes.
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Love is Providence divine!

Love is sinsere's succor bright,
Love is sorrow's sainted light.
Love is full of troubles, though;
Love is labor's longing foe.

Love is woman's sweetest cheer!
Love is causing many a tear.
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Mr. Robinson, who is a fine looking man of large size and muscular build, standing 5 feet 9 inches and weighing 182 pounds, has been on the Cambridge police force as patrolman for 20 years. He is a native of Annapolis, N. S., and came to Cambridge as a boy in 1865. he worked with the old book concern of B. B. Rassell at 515 Washington St. and later drove team for Mr. Robert Smith, who did the teaming for Spaulding and Tewksbury. He was appointed patrolman by Mayor Fox on April 14, 1883, and has since been the sole colored member of the Cambridge force. Mr. Robinson has an exceptional record, never having been "called up" or reprimanded. He has made arrests on nearly every form of felony except arson, and on every crime that comes under the head of misdemeanors. When Wm, E Russell was mayor of Cambridge he publicly commended Mr. Robinson for his clever work in the arrest and conviction of the wife murderer Hayes, whom he tracked to Portland, Me. He was first assigned to the so-called, "Marsh" route, which was the toughest of all. Since then he has had only one shift, 15 years ago to the Dana Hill route, in the tony part of the city. Mr. Robinson is proud of his new position because it was won on merit, but he feels indebted for the place to his race, admitting that though he had a good rerord, his new position is due to the political power of his race. Mr. Robinson has no trouble from color prejudice, being very popular with the other men on the force.—Boston Guardian.

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Ogden Party at Tuskegee.

A party of educators, philanthropists, publicists and others from the North, visited the Tuskegee Institute at Tuskegee, Ala, the past week, as guests of Robert C. Ogden, a member of the Tuskegee Institute board of trustees. The party spent five hours inspecting the various departments of the institution and in driving over its extensive farms. The annual exercises of the agricultural and industrial departments were held in the chapel following the visit to the farms and industrial departments of the school. One hundred and three certificates were awarded to as many students from the various divisions of the agricultural and industrial departments.

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No Excuse for Mob Violence.

A dispatch from Austin Texas says, The Daughters of the American Revolution in this city have adopted unanimously a set of resolutions condemning mob law, and calling upon the members of the Texas legislature to enact a law that will mete out speedy justice to all persons guilty of criminal assault, with a view of removing the excuse for mob violence. The resolutions request that the new law shall require that identification or confession shall be the only necessary evidence to justify speedy legal capital punishment.

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Colored Witness Murdered.

Levi Daniel, a colored man aged 55 years, was called out from his home in Webster county, Ga., one night recently, and shot to death by unknown parties, his body being filled with buckshot. A coroner's jury is investigating the case. Some days ago Daniel testified in the United States Commissioner's court in Columbus in an illicit distilling case from Webster county. Preston parties stated that the dead Negro had the reputation of being a professional "informer" in state as well as federal courts and that he was obnoxious to the people of his community.

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Died at Age of 115 Years.

News has been received of the death of "Uncle Billy" Dawson, in the Hahira neighborhood. "Uncle Billy" claimed to be 115 years old and those who have known him for many years, say that he was very close to that. Briggs Lawson, of Hahira, has known "Uncle Billy" for sixty years, any he says that he was a very old colored man when he first knew him. The old man fell out of a chair recently and was unconcious to the time of his demise. Up to that time, he was comparatively active.

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Former Slaves Pall Bearers.

At the funeral of Richard Bullock Seawell, who was Raleigh's oldest native-born resident, there was an unusual sight. The pall bearers were six of his former slaves, among the principal mourners was white-haired Harry Boykin, who was for many years his slave and for whom Mr. Seawell called repeatedly during his last moments.

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In an examination for clerkship in the Cincinnati post office, Elder James E. French a Negro, stood first in the order of per cent. There were 55 applicants, 8 of whom were colored.

EDUCATIONAL NOTES

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY NOTES.

Athletic sports receive the proper amount of encouragement in Lincoln Institute, and in the first base ball game of the season fought on this occasion between the Fulton Reds and Lincoln Institute Tigers the score, in favor home talent, stood 15 to 11. The next game will be with the team of Independence, Mo. Miss Mary Crinshaw, of the Department of Sewing, has been offered a position at Howard University, to take charge of similar work in the summer school of that institution. President Allen will deliver the commencement address at the graduating exercises of Warrensburg Saturday, May 21, and at Joplin on the 23rd. Several hundred dollars worth of the books to be placed in Lincoln Institute library have already arrived, and as they include many reference works of interest the value of the work students hereafter will be able to accomplish much in this institution.

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Dr. A. D. Mayo, of the United States Bureau of Education, Washington, D. C., delivered his fifth annual course of lectures at Normal last week. The lectures delivered this year were on "The Teacher of Today, the Creator of Tomorrow." They were very interesting and instructive, and the students and teachers seemed to enjoy them. Commencement exercises are being held this year from May 25 to 31 inclusive. Some of the strongest men of both races are addressing the students on the various occasions. There will be one hundred and twenty-six graduates from all departments. Rt. Rev. Evans Tyree will preach the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, May 29. Rev. Sutton E. Griggs will preach the sermon before the religious societies Sunday, May 29. Col. A. H. Pettibone, of Huntsville, Ala., will deliver the annual address Monday, May 30. Hon. H. V. Cashin, Huntsville, will deliver the address before literary societies, and Hon. J. T. Settle, of Memphis will deliver the address before the industrial graduates. The railroads have granted a rate of one and one-third cent fare for the round trip to Normal on the certificate plan. All friends are cordially invited to witness the exercises. Prof. W. H. Councill, principal.

Edenton Industrial High School announces its commencement exercises to take place May 29-June 3. Prof. Chas. Mack Gaines, A. B., principal.

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The twenty-second annual commencement of Livingston College was held May 18 to 25. Annual oration by John Roach Crossier, A. B., D. D. Baccalaureate sermon by Rev. F. J. Murdock, D. D., Salisbury, N. C.

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The commencement exercises of Eckstein Norton Institute will be held at Liederkranz hall, Louisville, Ky., June 10. Addresses by Hon. Morris B. Belknap and Prof. George W. Carver, of Tuskegee, Ala. Prof. C. H. Parrish, president; Prof. C. F. Sneed, principle.

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Knoxville Medical College, of Knoxville, Tenn., held its annual commencement May 23rd. Rev Dr. Brown, preached the annual sermon. Dr. E. L. Randall, dean; Dr. H. M. Green, secretary and treasurer.

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SEXUAL CHARACTERISTIC STUDY

An Understanding Must be Had—The White Light of the Race Problem Turned on the Subject—Honest, Rational and Truthfulness the Solution

The Manual Training High School sets an example in dealing with the foolish colored question when in response to a request from Prof. Emmerich eight members of the graduating class expressed their willingness to sit next to the colored graduates at the commencement exercises. Three are girls, who gave as their reason that they thought a colored pupil was as deserving of honor and had as much right as a white one. The boys said their offer was to save trouble. There are some sexual characteristics in these reasons; but those of the girls are based on the higher and truer standard. The simple truth of the situation is as they have put it. A colored person deserves such honor as his deeds entitle him to, without regard to his color, and he has the same rights as a "white" man.

The whole question as it appears today in this country is viewed by us in the light of prejudice pure and simple; and by so much we are laying up for ourselves a harder task in the solution. WE have got to come to an understanding with ourselves that it is possible to accord every American full rights and equal treatment under the law without accepting him as a social quantity—that is all there is to the Negro problem the race question so-called. We see and act on this plainly enough throughout our whole administration with reference to all people except those that have had the misfortune to suffer slavery at our hands. We accord to a Chinese, a Slav, a Pole, a Hun, complete rights and all priveleges and are never troubled with the idea that as a corrollary we must associate with them But when we propose this as to the black, we at once make this far fetched assumption.

There has just appeared a noteworthy book, "Greater America," by a learned Englishman, and fast friend of this country, Archibald R. Colquhoun. Speaking of what we call the race problem, he notes that the segregation of the black man is changing the problem into a menace:

The leaders of the black race have no other ambition at present than to raise their race to a higher level in the cosmogony of America. It is as American citizens that they desire to face the future. And yet public opinion denies them this position and is pushing them slowly but surely away from it and is making their segregation more and more inevitable. The Negro problem has already assumed proportions that make it possible that the whole policy of the nation may turn on a point of race prejudice. There is in the white man's breast an incradicable aversion to being dominated by a black or even colored people. This is partly race prejudice, partly the result of the terrible experience in the reconstruction period. In any case it is too strong a sentiment to be rooted out or disregarded. On this foundation any schemes for the future must be laid. The writer must confess that to him this prejudice, while natural in its original form, is now carried to excess; but to a Briton secure in that form of government that makes black and white alike free, but alike bound to obey a superior authority (always white) there is not that lurking dread of the black democracy. At present the exhibition of the strongest civic virtues, the highest talents and the most disinterested ambitions do not secure a Negro in America from treatment that the humblest subject of the British crown, black or brown, might resent. Americans, who value liberty and justice more than life, who have been willing to shed their blood to secure them to Cubans and Philipinos, refuse them to a fellow American because he is black. The writer pleads with his American cousins for a fairer and more open consideration of the subject, and for its readjustment on rational, honest, truthful lines. Treat the Negro as a subject race, but remember that subject races have rights. Draw the line of color as strongly as you will, but do dot treat the black man as if he were not human. The white men own the American continent; they have every right to dictate to others the terms on which they shall inhabit it, but for their own sakes, if for no higher motive, they should see that those terms shall be such as self respecting people can accept. It may be said that the Negro is not self respecting; if so the terms of existence should be regulated so as to arouse in him that sentiment which is the only basis for a useful life.

There is the white light of reason turned on the subject. Right here in our Manual Training School those pupils that had the breadth of mind to volunteer that a fellow pupil should have the rights that he is entitled to, honor to themselves and set their faces, as future rulers of this country, in the only direction that can bring it justice and peace and advancement.—Indianapolis News.

Wise and Otherwise.

Most of us attribute the success of others to luck.

The card sharp plays poker to keep the pot boiling.

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The modern play is too often but the dramatization of an epigram.

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"Some marriages," says the Cynical Bachelor, "are successful failures."

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They were out sailing. The girl shivered. "What a biting wind," she cried. "Yes; we must be sailing in the teeth of the gale," replied the young man in the yachting cap.

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Advice. The great Medium and Fortune Teller, who was born in Richmond, Va., was called to Dallas, Texas, by special request to settle a law suit. The matter was settled in three days' time. The parties who sought him got twenty-five Thousand Dollars; now the whole town sings his praise. Everybody is wondering at such a marvelous man. He breaks up conjuration as he goes; he is the greatest man of his profession that ever traveled the Southern states. He gives advice on Bounties, Pensions, Law Suits, Marriages, Speculation, Love affairs, Gambling, Hidden Treasures, Separations, etc. Dr. Robertson has had twenty years of experience in business. His mother and father are the seventh children and he is their seventh son, born with a gift that no one can equal. He has given light to thousands of homes. He laid in a dead trance at the graveyard for three days. He tells things that happened seventy-five years before his birth; he gives you a Lucky Charm to last you forever; he gives you the number of your lucky days and works for white and colored. When he was eight years and ten months old he took a ship and sailed from the Northern to the Southern states, then went to school at Jefferson college, in Natchez, Miss. On his return from school he performed in a dark room for three years; now he is the king of spiritualists. He is assisted by four other Mediums, and his parlors are always crowded. He has caused the crippled to throw their crutches away after being afflicted and blind for years. He is the star of the whipping post. He does not believe in robbing he poor.

Many convicted to be hanged and to the pen for life have been pardoned in a short time by this gifted Medium. Many women and men who could not live in their homes on account of their disagreeable husbands and wives have returned and now are doing well. Many young ladies and gents who have been led astray on account of the devil's work, are now better than ever. Many who have spent all their money going into business and have lost on account of evil work, have gained it back and are now happy and have a great trade. Many who pretended to be great friends to you in a deceitful way, Dr. Robertson has found them evil. Many who fought for justice, such as property, divorces, etc., and lost, have gained their rights by this great Medium power. Many mediums, spiritualists, fortune tellers, etc., who have taken money from them and did no good, are now receiving justice and their devil's work is being broken up. Many who have sprinkled powder, burned candles and buried bundles against you have no more power. Dr. Robertson breaks up conjurations as he goes. Many who were about to die from spells, old sores, poison, witchcraft and conjuration were saved by this mighty healer. Many who have carried news against you to cause trouble have stopped and can not carry any more Many who got between a happy family have got on their knees and begged pardon by this gifted man's power Many men who have left their homes naked and many women who forsook their husbands have reformed and are now happy. Dr. Robertson's works were brought from Richmond, Va. Many who tried to save money and spent every dime that they made have now a large bank account and property. Dr. Robertson chains down your enemies so that they will never reach you in life. He sleeps in his dark room in a dead trance and looks into your pathway as if it were made of glass and catches what is for your good or bad and seals it up on his spiritual table and sends it by mail. He unlocks your door of wealth, happiness and peace. The spirit of God guides him. See him now and your troubles will end; it was proven at the Spiritual Hall No 321, Camp Street, Jan. 6th, 1904 that only five men in the world could do the work that he does and no women.

TESTIMONIALS.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is true. I was in my bed afflicted for months; could not raise up my hand until I heard of Dr. Robertson. I sent for him immediately. He came to my home and told me what was the matter, also cured me sound with his spiritual power. I am excited from gladness. Rev. O. F Clinton, Jackson, Miss.

To the public in general: Allow me to express what Dr. H. W. Robertson has done for me. I was sick for five pears and my husband was nearly crazy from a spell that he had for fifteen years and we could not succeed in anything until I tried this gifted medium and he removed the spells and sickness entirely; now we are happy indeed. We would like to have him to live in our city. Very respectfully, Mrs. I. V. Norman, No 1123 Tchoupitoulas street, New Orleans, La.

Dear Friends: This is to certify that Dr. Henrygoldsea W. Robertson can help the needy. My husband was so cross when he would come to the house I could not stay inside He kept drunk for years, but after a friend of mine advised me to see Doctor Robertson. I took her advice and to-day we have our own home and a large farm. He is a powerful man. Levy Myle. Vickburg, Miss.

Dr. H. W. Robertson: Dear Friend—I received the last medicine that you sent me and after using it three days I felt as a new woman; all swelling left and the other matter is settled I am, yours truly, J. J. Holland Mobile, Ala.

This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is great. I had been fighting for my bounties so long until I thought there was no hope, but after reading of his wonders, I gave him a trial and I got my money and have settled up all debts and are in a pretty cottage of my own. May God bless him forever. D. H. Hunt, Chicago, Ill.

Dr. H. W. Robertson: Dear Sir—Allow me to thank you for your kindness. I have gained my property back and the woman who caused the trouble between my husband and I have left the town and he is now better than ever. You will always have my best wishes for success. Mrs. L. E. Jackson, Beaumont, Texas

Dear Dr Robertson: Only a few words to thank you kindly for what you did for me. The parties who stole my clothes and jewelry brought them back and put them at my gate. It is a talk for the town. You are true in your works. Respectfully, G. Cinclare, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Dr. Robertson: Dear Sir—After you removed the evil spirits from our home and gave us the lucky charm, we succeeded in getting the hidden treasure. Now we are leaving to live in another state and will always picture you in our memory. From R. A. and H. Penn, Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Friends: This is to certify that Dr Robertson is true in what he says. I have lost my job for three months, did not have money to support my wife and family after consulting Dr. Robertson and he told me that witchcraft was the cause and worked his spiritual power for me. I am now doing well and have more work than I can really do. Also I and my friends have got him to decide to live in our city. I am yours respectfully, M. R Hills, Dallas, Texas. Call on or write him; price for fortune $1 15. Send money with your letter; for other particulars, write him. Address DR. HENRYGOLDSEA W. ROBERTSON, 267 McCoy Street, Dallas, Texas. Send stamps for reply

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

Mrs. Maria Speare is convalescent.

Miss Ida Groves is able to be out again.

Mrs. R. H. Howard, of Baltimore, is visiting Rev. Riley.

Mr. Homer Jarrot spent Sunday and Monday in Chicago.

Rebert Hill, of Lebanon, Ind., was in the city the past week.

Uneeda good photo go to Bennett's 36 E. Washington street.

Rev. R. F Hurley was a pleasant caller to The Freeman office this week.

The "Feast of the Wilderness" will begin at Simpson Chapel on the 30th and last a week.

Mrs. Georgia Stevenson Broadie, of Chicago, attended the Twentieth Century Leap Year party.

Mrs. Grey, of Logansport, was in the city one day last week, and while here was a caller at The Freeman office.

Miss Marietta Sommers, of Montpelier, Ind., spent Sunday in the city, the guest of Miss Mamie Locklear.

Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Thompson and son, Robert, have returned home, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Kersay.

The drama "Thirty Years of Freedom" will be given by the Young Ladies' Business Club of Allen Chapel at an early date.

The preachers of the different denominations met Tuesday afternoon at Bethel Church. Dr. Talbott will read a paper at the next meeting.

Bethel choir will give a musical program and Chinese social Tuesday evening, May 31, at the residence of Mrs. Dora Payne, 1412 North Missouri street.

Mrs. Lucretia Knox, accompanied by her mother-in-law, Mrs. Geo. L. Knox, has gone to Shelbyville, Ky., to spend a few days with her mother, Mrs. Lawson.

The social given by the choir of Bethel Church last Thursday evening was a success. The nice little amount realized will be appropriated to the remodeling fund of the church.

Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, of Chicago, Ill., arrived in the city this week. Mrs. Cooper will remain in the city for about two weeks. They attended the leap year party given by the Twentieth Century Club.

The Woman's Club of Allen Chapel A. M. E. Church will give a parlor musicale and reception Thursday, June 2, at the residence of Mrs. H. E. Stewart's, 1501 Cornell avenue, from 3 to 5 p. m., and 8 to 10 p. m.

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The May Fair, by the East End Club of Bethel A. M. E. Church, the 24th, 25th and 26th, was quite a success. Everybody attending seemed to enjoy themselves, and the ladies realized quite a neat little sum, which will be appropriated to the remodeling fund of the church.

Dr. Daniel Roberts, of St. Augustine, Fla., was in the city a few days this week. He is the brother of Professor Robert Roberts, of Bloomington, Ind., whom he visited. He also visited his father and sister at Charlottesville, Ind. Dr. Roberts is a successful practitioner.

It was expected that Mr. J. D. Howard, who is now confined in St. Vincent's hospital, would have been out last week, but we are sorry to say that his condition was not so favorable as was supposed and he is yet unable to leave. We hope to see him about in a week or so, however.

Third quarterly meeting for this conference year will be held at Walter's A. M. E. Zion Chapel, Sunday May 29 Rev. W. H. Chambers newly elected presiding elder for this district, will be in charge of the quarterly meeting, Sunday, Rev. N H. Tolbert of Simpson Chapel will preach at 3 p. m., choir of Jones Tabernacle will render music at the same hour. We extend an invitation to all the laboring churches and our many friends to participate in this gospel feast.

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Attended the Oratorical Contest.

Mr. Willis Kersey, Rufus Kuykendall C. M. C. Willis, Dr. Jos. H. Ward, Mr. Archie Greathouse and Hon. Geo. L. Knox accompanied Mr. Samuel Taylor and his mother to Crawfordsville to attend the State Oratorical Contest Friday evening of last week, Mr. Taylor being the one chosen to represent Shortridge High School of this city at the contest. The visitors were royally entertained while there. They had luncheon with Mrs. Sarah Hale and daughter Minnie, supper with Mrs. Henry Humphrey and after the contest were entertained by Miss Blanche Patterson. Among the enjoyable features of this entertainment were the singing of the Athens Quartet and the solos of Miss Eva Johnson and Mr. Leroy Brown. Short talks were delivered by Prof. Testers, Dr. Ward, Mr. Geo. L. Knox and Mr. Samuel Taylor. While in the city Prof. Testers was very courteous in showing Messrs Kersey, Ward and Knox the points of interest in Crawfordsville. He also took them to call on Gen. Lew Wallace.

Song Service.

The following program will be rendered at Simpson Chapel M. E. Church tomorrow at 8 p. m., sharp:

Opening Hymn..........Congregation
Invocation..........Mr. W. A. Kersey
Anthem..........Choir
Scripture Reading...Mr. M. J. Gilliam
Solo..........Mr. Ezra Roberts
Solo..........Miss Clara Tolbert
Reading..........Mr. William Hill
Solo..........Miss Susie Wilson
Violin Solo..........Mr. J. H. Lomax
Solo..........Mrs. Bertha Lewis
Offering.
Solo...Mrs. Georgia Stevenson Broadie
Solo..........Mr. Masiza Kakaza

Corinthian Church Rally.

Tomorrow Corinthian Baptist church will hold their $700 rally day. Extensive preparations have been made for this day. An excellent musical program and the best speakers and divines in the city have promised to lend there services toward the cause. The money is to be applied to the parsonage fund. The following is the program to be rendered at 7:30 p. m.

Singing..........Congregation
Prayer.
Solo..........Mrs. Ida Bass
Solo..........Miss Lula Smith
Solo..........Mrs. Ora Dunlap
Solo..........Mr. John Morris
Solo..........Mrs. Kathryn Harper
Duet..Mrs. Dungey and Mrs. Passmore
Iroquois Quartet..........Silas Wolfork, Herman Warmack, William Smith and James Davis.
Solo..........Mrs. Hagar Temple
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BUSINESS LEAGUE NOTES.

The Negro Business League of Jeffersonville, Ind., now has a paid up membership of thirty, and have elected officers as follows: Joseph Welsh, president; Jesse Wilson, first vice president; W. S. Owens, second vice-president; Dr. John Hair, third vice-president; R. W. Thompson, corresponding secretary; John T. Smith, recording secretary; Isaac Woodlin, treasurer. Regular meetings are held on the second Thursday evening of each month and public educational rallies are held at frequent intervals. Delegates will be sent to the Indianapolis meeting of the National Negro Business League.

A public meeting was held Monday night by the Negro Business League at the Wall Street A. M. E. Church and addresses were delivered by the Rev. R. T. Bailey of New Albany, Rev. O. M. Carrington, Dr. C. A. Martin, Joseph Welsh and others.

A strong Negro Business League has been organized in Richmond, Ind. One of the leading business men of that city is the president, Wm. B. Arnold; Dr. W. G. Huffman is the secretary.

The Commercial Club has succeeded in securing stop-overs on all tickets to the St. Louis Exposition. A large number of the delegates to the meeting of the National Negro Business League will want to attend the exposition as well, and by this action they are assured of favorable rates.

It is hoped to have the "exhibit" one of the most important features of the meeting of the league. The exhibit committee is sending out the following circular letter:

Indianapolis, May, 1904

We desire to call your attention to the National Negro Business League, which meets in Indianapolis from Aug. 31 to Sept. 2, 1904, the object of which is to promote the commercial and financial development of the Negro.

One of the principal features of this meeting will be an exhibit of some of the best brain and hand work of the race in the form of books, music, painting, drawing, fancy needle work, dressmaking, woodwork, cooking, mechanical appliances, products of cultivated gardens and photographs of Negro business enterprises and of homes of superior merit. The exhibit from Indiana, with exhibits from other parts of the country, will be displayed for the benefit of the visiting members of the league and for the uplift of the general public.

You can, we believe, do yourself as well as the race no greater good than to help this enterprise by lending to the National Business League exhibit, or causing others to do so, the best that you may be able to secure.

Please let us know at your earliest convenience what you can do

Respectfully yours.

DR WILLIAM R RUSSELL,
Secretary, 317½ Indiana Avenue.
EDWIN F STOKES, Chairman,
515 West Thirteenth street.

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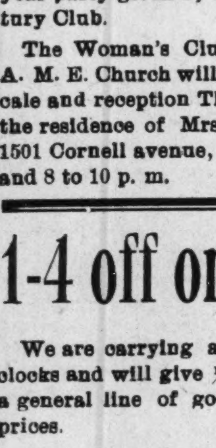
The Freeman can be found each week at John Cameron's barber shop, Minden, Louisiana.



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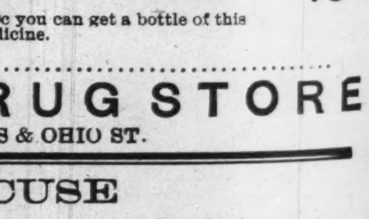

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